



Brownfields 2004 Grant Fact Sheet

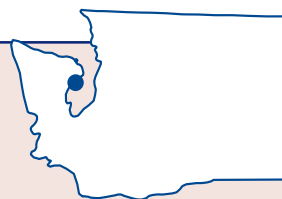
Kitsap County Consolidated Housing Authority, WA

EPA Brownfields Program

EPA's Brownfields Program empowers states, communities, and other stakeholders in economic development to work together to prevent, assess, safely clean up, and sustainably reuse brownfields. A brownfield site is real property, the expansion, redevelopment, or reuse of which may be complicated by the presence or potential presence of a hazardous substance, pollutant, or contaminant. On January 11, 2002, the President signed into law the Small Business Liability Relief and Brownfields Revitalization Act. Under the Brownfields Law, EPA provides financial assistance to eligible applicants through four competitive grant programs: assessment grants, revolving loan fund grants, cleanup grants, and job training grants. Additionally, funding support is provided to state and tribal response programs through a separate mechanism.

Community Description

The Kitsap County Consolidated Housing Authority was selected to receive a brownfields assessment grant. The target site is in the City of Port Orchard (population 7,693), south of Seattle and across Puget Sound. The per capita income in the city is \$16,382, and more than 13 percent of the population live below the poverty level. Seasonal employment, scarce job opportunities, and the closure of multiple timber-related industries in the area have contributed to the area's economic decline. With the endangered species listing of the Puget Sound Chinook salmon, the shorelines have been declared critical habitat, restricting develop-



Assessment Grant

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\$54,205 for hazardous substances

EPA has selected the Kitsap County Consolidated Housing Authority for a brownfields assessment grant. Grant funds will be used to conduct community involvement activities, and analyze potential diesel/oil, polyaromatic hydrocarbons, chrome, and lead contamination at a former garage in the City of Port Orchard.

Contacts

For further information, including specific grant contacts, additional grant information, brownfields news and events, and publications and links, visit the EPA Brownfields web site at: www.epa.gov/brownfields.

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www.epa.gov/r10earth, click on "Superfund," scroll down to "Related Programs" and click on "Brownfields"

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The cooperative agreement for this grant has not yet been negotiated; therefore, activities described in this fact sheet are subject to change.

ment. This restriction complicates the city's ability to meet the needs of its growing senior population. Cleanup of the former garage at the old city fire department will facilitate the housing authority's plans to construct a 42-unit retirement complex, including recreational and greenspace, on the site.